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NANKING THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

The annual meeting of the Board of Founders of Nanking Theological Seminary took place in New York on May 26. The Board is composed of representatives of the cooperating churches; Methodist, Northern and Southern Presbyterian, Disciples, and Baptist, and several coopted members. The main item of business was to consider the report of the survey of theological schools in South and Southeast Asia by Dr. C. Stanley Smith and Rev. Sidney Anderson. During the early spring these two veteran China missionaries had visited and studied theological schools in India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Burma, Siam, the Philippines and Formosa, with of course a special interest in the training of Chinese students in these centers. On the basis of this report grants-in-aid for the year 1952-53 were made to the following organizations:

India: Serampore Theological College
National Christian Council

Burma: Baptist English Divinity School

Indonesia: Jakarta, Higher Theological School
Christian Literature Society

Malaysia: Singapore, Trinity College

Philippines: Manila, Union Theological Seminary
Dumaguete, Silliman University College of Theology

Siam: Chiengmai, McGilvray Theological Seminary

Formosa: Taipeh, Theological College
Tainan, College of Theology (scholarships)

Hongkong: Lutheran Theological Seminary (scholarships)

F. P. Jones reported on the translation work of Nanking Theological Seminary which is now going on under his direction at Drew University, Madison, N. J. There are two full time Chinese translators on the staff, and about 20 piece work translators in various parts of the world. Materials being translated include all the great Christian classics, from the Apostolic Fathers down to the present, books on the Christian criticism of Communism, and books useful as texts or reference books in theological seminaries. This translation program is to be continued at Drew for another year, and then possibly transferred to Hong Kong, where there are better facilities for publication.

The Board approved further: Participation in a conference on theological education in South and Southeast Asia to be held in the spring of 1953, and a grant for the publication of theological literature through the Hong Kong Council of Christian Literature for Overseas Chinese (CCLOC).

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CHINA COLLEGE BOARD

The United Board at Christian Colleges in China held its annual meeting in New York on May 6 and made appropriations for the year 1952-53 totalling nearly a million dollars for various services under the following three main headings:

SERVICES IN ASIA

Visiting Professorships and Scholarships for Chinese teachers and students in other Christian Colleges in Asia.

English Language Project in the Chinese Schools of Malaya.

Christian hostels and student centers in Formosa and Singapore.*

Aid to Strategic Projects in Home Economics and Vocational Training at Silliman University.*

Aid to Agricultural Education in Southeast Asia.*

Encouragement of the proposed Indonesia Christian University.*

Aid to the Library of a small college on Formosa.*

*Continued help to Ch'ung Chi College in Hong Kong.

First Steps in Meeting the Need for a Christian College in Formosa.*

SERVICES IN NORTH AMERICA

Fellowships to build up a reservoir of trained Christian leadership.

Job-placement for Chinese men and women who have finished their studies.

Spiritual Ministry to strengthen and sustain Chinese students and alumni.

RESEARCH AND PUBLICATION

Historical Monographs telling the story of the China Colleges.

Critical Studies of the achievements and failures of the China Colleges in terms of Christian values.*

Literature Program directed at Overseas Chinese in Southeast Asia.*

*New activities for 1952-53

The address at the evening Dinner was given by Dr. John Earl Baker, who had just returned from his work in Formosa with the Joint Commission on Rural Reconstruction. Mrs. Douglas Horton is the President of the Board, and Dr. William P. Fenn the Executive Secretary.

CHINESE CHRISTIAN ACTIVITIES IN AMERICA

Rev. Peter Shih, pastor of the Chinese church in Boston and formerly professor in Nanking Theological Seminary, will be making a survey this summer of Chinese churches in America under the direction of the Department of the Urban Church, Division of Home Missions, NCCC/USA. About half of these churches are in California. T. K. Chiu, pastor of the Chinese church in Philadelphia, is laying the cornerstone of a new church on June 21. George Geng and Gardiner Tewksbury are working with Chinese students in New York, and Miss Ellen Studley in Chicago. The New York Chinese Christian Fellowship has held two student retreats this spring, one at Stony Point in March, and one at Bound Brook, N. J., in May. The Chicago students had a similar retreat in May.

CHINA INSTITUTE NEWS

The Summer number of the China Institute Bulletin has the following items which may be of interest to our readers: A China House has now been opened in Berkeley, Cal., as a branch of the China Institute. There are about 3000 Chinese students now in American colleges and universities, the largest numbers in these five: New York U. 234, Columbia 229, California 126, Michigan 120, Washington 91. Courses in Chinese literature, history and art will be given in an Institute at the State Teachers College at Montclair, N. J. June 30 - July 12. The teachers include William Hung, who has just published a book on the poetry of Tu Fu, Y. P. Mei, etc. Y. P. Mei (acting president of Yenching in its Chengtu days) will be on the faculty of Bowdoin College next year. Wing-tsit Chan, formerly of Lingnan University, is now Chairman of the Division of Humanities at Dartmouth College.

REGIONAL CONTROL OF CHINA

China is now divided into seven administrative regions, each (except as otherwise indicated below) governed by a Military and Administrative Committee (MAC), these Committees all appointed by the General Administrative Committee (GAC) in Peking. These regional MAC's control the various provincial governments through the personnel as listed in the table below:

1. Northeast (Manchuria): Liaotung, Liaohsi, Kirin, Heilungkiang, Sungkiang, Jehol. Northeast People's Gov't. Council. Leaders: Kao Kang, Li Fu-ch'un, Lin Feng.
2. North China: Hopei, Shansi, P'ing yuan, Chahar, Suiyuan. North China Administrative Committee. Leaders: Po I-p'o, Nieh Jung-chen, Liu Lan-t'ao.
3. Inner Mongolia: the Mongol areas of western Manchuria, and the northern parts of Jehol and Chahar. Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region Gov't. Leader: Ulanfu (Yun Tse).
4. East China: Shantung, Kiangsu, Anhwei, Chekiang, Fukien (Kiangsu and Anhwei each subdivided into North and South). Leaders: Jao Shu-shih, Ch'en Yi, Tseng Shan, Su Yu.
5. Central-South China: Honan, Hupeh, Hunan, Kiangsi, Kwangtung, Kwangsi (the last two are also a subsidiary region termed South China). Leaders: Lin Piao, Lo Jung-huan, Teng Tzu-hui.
6. Northwest China: Shensi, Kansu, Ninghsia, Tsinghai, Sinkiang. Leaders: P'eng Teh-huai, Hsi Chung-hsun.
7. Southwest China: Szechwan, Sikang, Kweichow, Yunnan. Leaders: Teng Hsiao-p'ing, Liu Po-ch'eng, Ho Lung.

Su Yu has just been made Deputy Chief of Staff of the PLA, and is probably by now replaced in East China by T'an Chen-lin. Lin Piao and Lo Jung-huan (CS), and P'eng Teh-huai (NW) are of course away from their regions on military duties. The status of Tibet is still not clear.

The New York Times on June 16th reported that the Chinese Communist government had ordered an end brought to the 3-anti and 5-anti campaigns. No reason was given but it may well be that because of the disruption in normal business and academic life and the large number of suicides and attempted suicides, it was deemed advisable to bring these campaigns to an end.

CHINESE CHURCH MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

The Revised Directory of the Protestant Christian Movement in China, issued by the NCC in Shanghai in 1950, gives the following statistics of church membership in the major denominations as compiled in 1949:

Name of Denomination	Associated Missions	Membership
Church of Christ in China	(17 varied missions)	176,983
True Jesus Church	indigenous	125,000
Methodist Church	Methodist Mission, American	102,693
China Inland Mission Churches	CIM and associated missions	86,345
Sheng Kung Hui	5 Anglican missions	76,741
Lutheran Church	16 Lutheran missions	65,000
China Baptist Convention	Southern Baptist Miss.	65,000
Methodist Church	Methodist Mission, British	44,410
Chinese Presb. of Christ	Presb. US and USA	30,000
Ch'ung Chen Hui	Basel Mission	21,756
Seventh Day Adventists	SDA Mission	21,117
Christian and Missy. Alliance	CMA	20,000
North China Cong. Church	ABCFM	18,235
China Baptist Council	American Bap. Convention	16,701
China Assemblies of God	Assemblies of God Missions	12,000
Chinese Independent Church	indigenous	11,564
Various smaller groups		10,260
	TOTAL	903,805